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### 1.312 Amendment

Responsive to the Examiner's Amendment dated March 28, 2005, please amend claims as detailed hereinafter and reconsider the claims in view of the arguments presented hereinafter.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 4 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** for amended drawing figures is attached following page 5 of this paper.

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